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In re the Application of: Hitoshi SAITO

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.